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All Praise is for Allah, and may Peace and Blessings be upon the Messenger of Allah.

As for what follows:

So, we have heard the news of the Jihad and the increase in armed resistance against the Crusaders in the Lands of the Two Rivers (al-‘Iraq) recently. Following that, we learned about the country’s stance known as Saudi Arabia regarding this resistance, and it is criminalizing any support for it(Jihad).

And in this document, I do not wish to provide evidence for the legislation of this Jihad and the legislation to assist it, as this is a whole other issue. Instead, I want to expose the hypocrisy of this State by giving a quick comparison between its stance regarding the previous Afghan Jihad against the Russians, and the present Jihad in ‘Iraq and Afghanistan against the Americans.

First: The Russians came with a massive military campaign, during which they targeted the lands of the Afghans (only) and installed a government that was subservient to them. Whereas the Americans came with a massive military campaign in which they targeted the Lands of the Afghans and the Land of ‘Iraq. And they installed in those

countries people who are subservient to America. And the Saudi Government did not recognize the Government of the Russians in Afghanistan, but it recognized the Governments of America in both Afghanistan and 'Iraq.

Second: The Saudi government encouraged the Afghan Mujahideen and supported them materially and morally, while it painted the Mujahideen in 'Iraq as criminals and warned against supporting them. Instead, it made support of them to be a crime even if this support consisted simply of Qunut and supplication for them!

Third: The Saudi government let the Mashayikh and the Scholars support the Afghan Jihad and issue fatawa in its favor. However, it has now outlawed any fatwa regarding the Jihad in 'Iraq. Instead, it has made the Scholars issue verdicts that criminalize and forbid any participation in it.

Fourth: The Saudi government assisted the youth in going to Jihad in Afghanistan. It lightened their (financial) burden of going by over 75%, while it outlawed going to the Jihad in 'Iraq, and whoever did this and fell into their clutches, then his destination would be the depths of prison!

Fifth: The Saudi government hosted the leadership of the Jihad in Afghanistan and allowed them to give lectures in their land, while it joined the Crusaders in hunting down the leadership of the Jihad in 'Iraq.

And the overall conclusion that can be drawn from this quick comparison is that when the Jihad in Afghanistan was against the enemies of America, and it served the interests of America, it was considered, according to the Saudi government, to be Jihad for the sake of Allah. It was allowed for the Mashayikh to issue rulings regarding it and material and moral support of it. And whoever from the youth who wanted to participate in Jihad was presented with the support to facilitate going there and was referred to as a 'Mujahid'!

And when the Jihad now in Afghanistan and 'Iraq is against America and the interests of America, it is 'terrorism,' 'extremism,' and its people are hunted and killed. And whoever supports them with a fatwa or with wealth is imprisoned – let alone those who support them with men – and it is not allowed for the scholars to issue fatawa regarding it. Rather, it is the opposite: they are to issue verdicts forbidding anyone from going to 'Iraq and that the actions that take place there are 'terrorist' acts, not Jihad.

So, the issue is apparent, and it is: that this (Saudi) State does not know of Jihad or anything else for the sake of Allah. Instead, it only knows Jihad for the sake of America. So what the Crusaders allow, it (the Saudi Government) allows and supports; and what the Crusaders don't allow, they don't let either.

and Allah is Controlling His Affairs, even if the disbelievers hate that.

Sidenote: So, its support of the Afghan Mujahideen in the past was because of that serving American interests in the region, just as in the 1980s (during the Reagan Administration), the Saudi State supported the Contra rebels in Nicaragua – as the American president himself embarrassed them by exposing this – because the revolution there served the interests of America. Otherwise, both sides of that conflict were disbelievers, the region was empty of resources, and there was no interest for the Muslims in that war. Instead, it was Jihad for the sake of America!

All praise belongs to Allah, the Lord of creation. May the *salah* and *salam* [of Allah] be upon our prophet Muhammad, his family, and his companions *ajma'in*.

Any good is from Allah, and any mistakes in this translation is from the publisher – not from Shaykh Nasr al-Fahd.
May Allah hasten his release



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